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1. [redacted] during the period from 11 to 15 September 1952, three trains each of 60 axles carrying Volkspolizei (VP), T-34 tanks and 88-mm and 35-mm AA guns passed through Chemnitz and proceeded toward Baerenstein.
2. About 3 p.m. on 17 September, a train carrying VP and AA guns passed through Meerane and proceeded toward Glauchau-Zwickau. At about the same time on 18 September, a train of 24 boxcars with personnel and 10 flatcars each carrying a T-34 tank passed through Meerane and also proceeded toward Glauchau-Zwickau. On 19 September, residents observed another train of 30 cars carrying VP and engineer equipment which passed through the Meerane railroad station and also proceeded toward Glauchau-Zwickau.²
3. On 27 September, the VP hutment near the Niederschlag railroad station was occupied by about 1,800 police. Twenty-one T-34 tanks and 9 x 75-mm AA guns were seen with the unit.³

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1. [redacted] Comment. It is believed that these trains went to the Niederschlag railroad station south of Baerenstein, as a hutment near this railroad station was occupied by VP during the period from 10 to 15 September. [redacted]

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2. [redacted] Comment. Probably the three trains [redacted] passing through Gera, coming from the direction of Ohrdruf. [redacted]

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3. [redacted] Comment. It is possible that a cadre unit of the Kasernierte Volkspolizei (KVP) is being quartered there. The trains mentioned in paragraphs 1 and 2 of the present report and in another report, tend to indicate that the unit may have come from Thuringia. [redacted]

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